AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A vibration isolating bushing comprising:

a main shaft member including a tubular portion, a flange portion extending radially outwardly from one end of the tubular portion, and a block portion provided on a central portion of the tubular portion and distanced from the flange portion in an axial direction of the main shaft member;

an outer cylinder member disposed coaxially on an outer side of the main shaft member at a distance therefrom; and

a rubber elastic body disposed between the main shaft member and the outer cylinder member for integral connection of the main shaft member and the outer cylinder member, the rubber elastic body including a hollow portion which is open in an end face away from the flange portion and extends in the axial direction up to the vicinity of an end face of the block portion on a side of the flange portion;

wherein the hollow portion extends up to a position substantially near an end surface of the outer cylinder member ~~to directly surround the block portion on~~ such that a radial outer peripheral surface and a side surface ~~thereof~~ of the block portion directly define the hollow portion;

the radial outer peripheral surface of the block portion extends circumferentially;

the side surface of the block portion extends from the radial outer peripheral surface to the main shaft member;

the rubber elastic body further includes a non-deforming rubber portion and a connecting portion;

the non-deforming rubber portion fills a gap between

the flange portion and an end face of the block portion facing the flange portion in the axial direction and is substantially undeformable with respect to an application of an axial load; and

the connecting portion is positioned between a bottom of the hollow portion and the end face of the rubber elastic body on the side of the flange portion, for connecting the non-deforming rubber portion and an inner peripheral surface of an end portion of the outer cylinder member.

2. (Previously Presented) The vibration isolating bushing according to claim 1, wherein the radial outer peripheral surface of the block portion is located more inwardly than an outer peripheral end of the flange portion.

3. (Original) The vibration isolating bushing according to claim 1, wherein the connecting portion is formed in a state of being offset axially inwardly of the non-deforming rubber portion.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously Presented) The vibration isolating bushing according to claim 1, wherein the hollow portion directly surrounds the side surface which extends along the axial direction.

7. (Previously Presented) The vibration isolating bushing according to claim 1, wherein:

the block portion comprises a second side surface extending from the radial outer peripheral surface to the main shaft member, and

the hollow portion directly surrounds the second side surface.

8. (Previously Presented) The vibration isolating bushing according to claim 7, wherein the hollow portion directly surrounds the second side surface which extends along the axial direction.

9. (Previously Presented) The vibration isolating bushing according to claim 7, wherein the second side surface is substantially parallel to the first side surface.